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STATE OF HAWAII

NOTICE OF AND REQUEST FOR
RESTRICTIVE PURCHASE OF SERVICE
PURSUANT TO §103F-403, HRS

STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
STATE OF HAWAII

To: Chief Procurement Officer

From: DHS/Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division (VRSBD)
Department/Division/Branch or Office

Pursuant to §103F-403, HRS, and Chapter 3-144, HAR, the department head has made a determination that an adequate basis for a restrictive purchase of services exists and requests approval to make a restrictive purchase for the following:

1. Title and description of health and human service(s): National Federation of the Blind (NFB)-Newsline newspaper service provides distribution of National newspaper articles to individuals who are legally blind, individuals with severe visual impairments or individuals with orthopedic challenges in digital text or digital audio formats provided by cooperating news organizations or other suppliers. Each newspaper is updated as soon as practicable by the Federation following the receipt of electronic files from cooperating news organizations to include the current or most recent day's edition.		
2. Provider Name and Address:	The National Federation of the Blind of Hawaii 2719 Puunui Avenue Honolulu, Hawaii 96817	
3. Total Contract Funds:	\$80,000	
Contract Funds per Year (if applicable):	\$40,000	
4. RH No. of Previous Request for this Service (if applicable)	09-04	
5. Term of Contract:	Start: 10/1/11	End: 9/30/13
If the contract term is longer than 1 year, provide justification for the extended term: Provider is registered with the United States Patent Office to provide this digital voice reading of newspaper via telephone. There are no other providers of this service. The NFB is available and willing to provide this service for the term of the contract.		
6. Describe the circumstances justifying a restrictive purchase: NFB-Newsline is copyrighted and is only available from the National Federation of the Blind. Subscribers will be able to call via a local or toll free number to the NFB Headquarters, enter their pass code and then select the paper to which they want to listen. The Honolulu Advertiser is one of the papers listed. The service provides access to newspaper information and local announcements of interest to subscribers. It enables people, who would otherwise not have access, the opportunity to learn what is in the newspaper at the same time or before people who can see and can turn pages without assistance. Information about the job market and current events is made available. Newsline will make the world much more accesible to those who cannot see or turn paper pages on their own, thereby enhancing their self-sufficiency. Consequently, students will have access to material that helps them keep up with classmates and job seekers will have access to job leads. In Hawaii, there are over 3,000 people that are legally blind and many more that have severe visual impairments and others with orthopedic challenges that could benefit from this service.		

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7. Describe the efforts and results in determining that this is the sole provider who can render services. Include approximate dates:

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8. List state agency personnel, by position title, who will be involved in the approval process and administration of the contract:

Joe D. Cordova, Vocational Rehabilitation Administrator
Susan Foard, Vocational Rehabilitation Assistant Administrator
Shawn Yoshimoto, Vocational Rehabilitation Program Specialist

9. Direct questions to (name & position): Susan Foard, Vocational Rehabilitation Assistant Administrator

Phone number: 808-586-9740

e-mail address: sfoard@dhs.hawaii.gov

I certify that the information provided above is to the best of my knowledge true and correct.



Department Head Signature

MAY 31 2011

Date

Patricia McManaman

Typed Name

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NOTICE

Pursuant to §103F-403, Hawaii Revised Statutes and Chapter 3-144, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the aforementioned purchasing agency has submitted a request to the chief procurement officer for a restrictive purchase of service for health and human services, and if approved, intends to purchase the service without issuing a request for proposals.

Any person may file a written protest under the procedures established under Chapter 3-148, Hawaii Administrative Rules, located on the web at www.spo.hawaii.gov, click *Statutes and Rules* and *Procurement of Health and Human Services*. Protests shall be hand delivered or postmarked by United States Postal Service within seven (7) days after the date this notice is first published on the internet. If hand delivered it must be submitted by 4:30 PM, Hawaii Standard Time, within seven days after day this notice is first published. Protests must be submitted to the following procurement officer **and** head of the purchasing agency:

Procurement Officer for this Procurement

Joe D. Cordova, VR Administrator
DHS/VRSD
1901 Bachelot Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

Head of Purchasing Agency

Patricia McManaman, Director
Department of Human Services
1390 Miller Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Protest forms and instructions are on the web at: www.spo.hawaii.gov, click *Health and Human Services, Chapter 103F...* and *Forms for Private Providers*. Questions should be directed to the contact person noted in item 9 of the request.

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Chief Procurement Officer's Comments:

This award is required to be posted on the Awards Reporting System.

☒ APPROVED ☐ DISAPPROVED ☐ NO ACTION


Chief Procurement Officer Signature

6/30/2011
Date

Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative requirements.

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